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Carnivores weren't the only scary thing at the zoo this weekend. Check out Page 6 for a story about the Sunset Zoo's SPOOKtacular.

K-State's men's golf team is headed to New Mexico for a two-day tournament, while the women are headed to play in South Carolina. Go to *kstatecollegian.com* for the full stories.

After a win over Colorado the Wildcats are still atop the Big 12 North standings. Turn to Page 5 for a recap of the game.

# Frontier finale



Sara Manco | COLLEGIAN

Willie the Wildcat salutes members of Pi Beta Phi, Sigma Nu, Sigma Pi and Delta Sigma Theta as they march in the Homecoming Parade through Aggieville Friday evening. Pi Beta Phi, Sigma Nu, Sigma Pi and Delta Sigma Theta won the overall greek parings competition portion of All-University Homecoming week. The theme of the week was Wildcat Frontier.

# Homecoming winner results announced

By Michelle Thomas KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The 2009 All-University Homecoming winners for student organizations are Powercat Motorsports, the Moore and Haymaker pairing for residence halls, and for greek pairings - Pi Beta Phi, Sigma Nu, Sigma Pi and Delta Sigma Theta.

The winners of the Homecoming Philanthropy 5K race were Danny Schneider, senior in food science and industry, for the male student participant, Cassandra Robinson, senior in mechanical engineering, for the female student participant, Will Chapman for the male non-student participant and Lindsay Thompson for the female nonstudent participant.

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### Larson, Wilkerson named student ambassadors



Matt Castro | COLLEGIAN

Ryan Wilkerson, junior in accounting, and, Stephanie Larson, junior in elementary education, hug after being named K-State's 2009-2010 student ambassadors.

By Michelle Thomas KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

During halftime of the K-State vs. University of Colorado football game Saturday, the new student ambassadors Stephanie Larson, junior in elementary education, and Ryan Wilkerson, junior in finance and accounting, were presented, and the winners for All-University Homecoming events were announced.

Wilkerson and Larson were elected to represent the student body at Alumni Association events throughout the state and at university activities.

"The only way to describe my feeling right now is 'surreal," said Wilkerson. "It hasn't really hit me yet. I feel extremely privileged, blessed and thankful to have this opportunity and am extremely appreciative and grateful."

Student ambassadors visit with prospective students

and alumni at events throughout the state, attend Student Alumni Board meetings and activities, assist with Alumni Association programming on campus, like class reunions, Homecoming Student Committee and other special events, as well as assist the president's office as needed.

"I really wanted to run because I wanted to be a bigger part of the K-State family and have an impact on the alumni and perspective students," Larson said. "I want to make a genuine connection with the alumni because they've built the foundations of K-State and I also want to talk to as many prospective students as possible because the decision to be a Wildcat is an easy one once they find out what all they can do here. I feel honored to have been elected and hope to live up to all the expectations. I appreciate anyone out there who helped me get here."

# Multicultural Pride Day gives college hopes to students

By Aubree Casper KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

They could be heard from the K-State Student Union Food Court Friday afternoon.

The cheers of over 400 enthusiastic high school students filled the Union Grand Ballroom on Friday, Oct. 23, for lunch and entertainment in the middle of a K-State recruitment day held for minority students.

Multicultural Pride Day is a day for high school students to experience K-State, and to learn about the many options students have at K-State, like the variety of academic majors and multicultural groups on campus. The goal of this event is to connect students who might be interested in a college education, though they might not have thought of it as an op-

Although the day looked like many other K-State recruitment days, with campus tours, sessions about financial aid and housing, and information on majors, students like Great Bend High School senior Cynthia Garcia left Multicultural Pride Day with the hope that college would soon be in her future.

"[Multicultural Day] gives students a closer look at K-State," Garcia said. "Most kids were

excited to get out of class for the day, but now

I think they're glad they came."

Garcia said she has been interested in K-State for some time and had attended last year's multicultural event. Her favorite part was the performance during lunch and the social interaction with other students from different high schools with similar backgrounds.

Garcia was one of 41 students Great Bend High School teacher Janette Bryant brought to K-State to experience Multicultural Pride

Day.

"This is such a great opportunity to get out what Kansas has to ofof Great Bend and see what Kansas has to offer; some don't ever get out of Great Bend," Bryant said.

Her students met at 6:30 a.m. to make the trip to Manhattan, where Bryant said students learned that they have the opportunity to go to college, something many students didn't think was even an option.

The connections made with other students was valuable and the many first generation American students were able to engage with black and Latino K-Staters who further provided the students with proof that K-State

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Matt Binter | COLLEGIAN

Shun'Nita Washington, senior at FL Schlagle High School in Kansas City, Kan., introduces herself to the audience during Multicultural Pride Day after winning a \$250 scholarship for books in Forum Hall.

**POLICE REPORT** 

# Amber alert lifted, suspect in custody

By Jason Miller KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

An Amber Alert case from Wednesday for Tara Renee Simhiser, 17, has resulted in an arrest and Simhiser's placement in protective custody, according to a report from the Riley County Police Department.

Simhiser, a Marion County, Kan. resident, had been missing since Tues-

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**STREET TALK** 

Read **Page 3** to learn about a speaker from *postsecret.com* coming to K-State tonight.

# What is your best kept secret?



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#### THE PLANNER

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best costumes.

The Konza Prairie Quilters Guild is presenting the Think Pink: Quilt Show" from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday throughout October at the Johnson Center for Basic Cancer Research, Chalmers 001. For the event, which is in observance of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, enter through the courtyard on 17th Street.

The K-State Volunteer Center of Manhattan announces the 2009 Community Service Week, which will run through Friday and offers various sites and service projects. Students interested in volunteering can view the project descriptions and the week's events online at *k-state*. edu/volunteercenter. Directions for signing up will be listed on the site. In addition to the Web site, you can visit the volunteer center on Facebook.com to sign up for Community Service Week opportunities. For more information, contact Laura Cline at 785-532-3670 or userve@ksu.edu.

Career and Employment Services is promoting Applying to Graduate School at noon online today. Participate in this Web-based presentation from noon to 1 p.m. and live chat session from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. For more information, visit k-state.edu/ces.

**Counseling Services** is offering a free workshop called "Achieving a Balanced Lifestyle" from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. today in the English/Counseling Services Building, Room 231.

Landscape architect Scott Smith will present "The Width and Depth of Landscape Architecture, Two Extremes - Brightwater and One Island East" at 4:30 p.m. today in Room 212 of the K-State Student Union. The presentation is free and open to the public.

The Union Program Council will bring the "Most Trusted Stranger in America," PostSecret.com's Frank Warren, to the K-State Student Union Grand Ballroom at 7 p.m. today. Tickets cost \$2 for students and \$4 for non-students.

**Sensible Nutrition And Body Image Choices** (SNAC) is sponsoring a free showing of "Bigger, Stronger, Faster," a documentary on steroid usage in the United States, at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the K-State Student Union Little Theatre.

**K-State Swing and Salsa** is sponsoring its fourth annual Halloween Costume Ball from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. Tuesday in Union Station. The event is free for all K-State students. Prizes will be given for the

**SafeZone**, a program through the K-State Women's Center, is presenting "Fighting for a Life - GLBTQ Individuals and Suicide Risk" from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Wednesday in the K-State Student Union, Room 206, as a part of its continuing education sessions. The presenters will be Michael Nelson, a Unitarian minister, and Barbara Pearson. Learn about the effect of issues like discrimination and fear on the lives of GLBTQ individuals and how providing a SafeZone can help decrease the risk of suicide. To register, visit ksu.edu/safezone.

The SHAPE program is looking for members. Earn three UGE credit hours, gain leadership experience, improve public speaking skills and inform your peers about being safer. Print off applications, which are being accepted for spring 2010, at k-state.edu/lafene/ SHAPE. The application is due Friday. Submit applications to Room 268 of Lafene Health Center, or send it attached to an e-mail to shape@ksu.edu.

The Planner is the Collegian's bulletin board service. To place an item in the Planner, stop by Kedzie 116 and fill out a form or e-mail news editor Sarah Rajewski at news@spub.ksu.edu by 11 a.m. two days before it is to run. Some items might not appear because of space constraints but are guaranteed to appear on the day of the activity.

#### CORRECTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS

There was an error in the Oct. 23 issue of the Collegian.

Danny Unruh is a senior in food science and industry and political

The Collegian regrets the error. If you see something that should be corrected or clarified, call news editor Sarah Rajewski at 785-532-6556 or e-mail news@spub.ksu.edu.

#### DAILY BLOTTER



To view the daily arrest report from the **Riley County Police** Department, go to the Collegian Web site, kstatecollegian.com.

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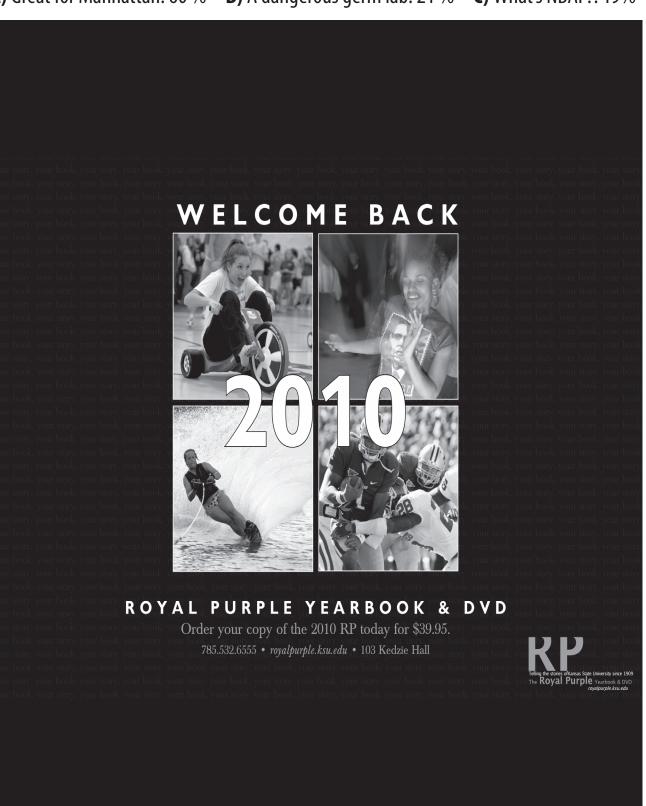
Check out **Page 5** for a recap and an analysis of Saturday's game.

### Will K-State win the Big 12 North in football? **A)** Yes **B)** No

To submit your answer, visit kstatecollegian.com. Results for the question of the day will be posted in the following issue of the Collegian.

Friday's results: NBAF is...

**A)** Great for Manhattan: 60 % **B)** A dangerous germ lab: 21 % **C)** What's NBAF?: 19%



# UPC to host PostSecret founder

**By Hannah Dooley** KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Frank Warren, also known as "the most trusted stranger in America," will be at K-State tonight.

The Union Program Council is hosting the founder of *PostSecret.com*, an ongoing Internet community where people can anonymously send in their secrets. Selected secrets are published on the Web site or are written in the books, which both have generated some popularity.

The event will consist of Warren sharing his story with how he came up with the idea for PostSecret. He sometimes shares stories behind various secrets he has received and the secrets that were banned from the books. Warren will finish his presentation by sharing a secret of his own that he's kept for many decades.

"People can get up and tell their own



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secrets and stories. That is the part I am looking forward to the most," said Tristan Carter, senior in public relations, who has actually been to a Post-Secret lecture before.

The lecture will take place at 7 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom of the K-State Student Union

# **PRIDE** | Campus, high school groups spread empowering messages

**Continued from Page 1** 

"will make it work [for all students]," according to Bryant.

The group from Great Bend also included four foreign exchange students from Brazil, Madagascar and Columbia shared the day's experiences. After just a morning of sessions, Bryant said the Brazilian exchange student was already thinking she might just stay in Kansas.

Great Bend High School's Mexican Folk Dance group joined Bryant's students for the trip and sparked the loud cheering from the spirited high school students as they kicked-off the lunchtime entertainment.

K-State's Latina/Latino and Black fraternities and sororities also performed for the high school students. Black sorority, Delta Sigma Theta, members brought even more cheers from the students as they put on a step show.

Deb Muhwezi, senior in mass communications and Delta Sigma Theta's president, and other sorority members sent a message of empowerment to the minority students through their performance and attendance throughout Multicultural Pride Day.

Latin fraternity Sigma Lambda Beta, and Latina sorority Sigma Lambda Gamma also represented the Latin students of K-State.

Sigma Lambda Gamma's motto, "Culture is Pride and Pride is Success," was a fitting mantra for the day where students left K-State with not only information on the school, but hope that their education wasn't going to stop when they graduated high school.

# **POLICE** | Man suspected of lurking at local schools caught

**Continued from Page 1** 

day and was found safe in northeast Kansas after being dropped off at a bank, and a suspect is in custody, said Lt. Herbert Crosby Jr. of the RCPD.

A bank employee recognized Simhiser on Thursday morning and contacted police, who took the girl into protective custody, Crosby said.

The suspect, Rojelio Hernandez, 21, was detained while he was driving in his car, shortly after Simhiser entered the bank, according to the report.

Hernandez was suspected of entering six Manhattan-are high schools in September and acting as a transfer student looking to enroll, according to an RCPD report from earlier this month

#### WOMAN CHARGED WITH REMOV-AL OF THEFT DEVICE

A Manhattan woman was arrested Thursday on an outstanding warrant from Pottawatomie County and charged with battery, theft, criminal trespassing and unlawful removal of a theft detection shielding device, according to another RCPD report.

Kasey Lea Owensby, 22, of 2500 Farm Bureau Road, was arrested for removing a theft device from merchandise at Wal-Mart on Sept. 8, Crosby said. Owensby was involved in a physical confrontation following the original incident, according to the report. Bond was set at \$5,000.

# SNAC celebrates Love Your Body Day throughout week

**LOVE YOUR BODY DAY** 

**EVENTS, 2009** 

a. Members of Sensible Nutrition

and Body Image Choices (SNAC) are

passing out cards with compliments,

such as "You have beautiful eyes," to-

day from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at several

2) Free film: "Bigger, Stronger, Faster\*"

**a.** This documentary raises awareness of men's body image issues

by focusing on problems with the

use of steroids. The movie will be shown at 7 p.m. on Tuesday at the

Little Theatre in the K-State Student

a. SNAC will host a booth with infor-

mation on steroid issues on Tuesday

from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the K-State

**b.** SNAC will host a booth with

All Love Your Body Day events are or-

ganized and sponsored by the Sensible

Nutrition and Body Images Choices, a

peer education group in affiliation with

-Compiled by Tiffany Roney

Tri-Delta Sorority to celebrate the

annual "Love Your Body Day" from 10

a.m. to 2 p.m. on Wednesday at the

Union. For more information, visit

biggerstrongerfastermovie.com.

3) Informational booths

K-State Student Union.

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1) Compliment cards

locations on campus.

**By Tiffany Roney** KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

From free cards complimenting students' looks to informational booths on steroid issues, SNAC hosts a variety of conversations on how to help students love and accept their bodies.

Sensible Nutrition and Body Image

Choices is the group behind this body-focused conversation. This peer education group aims to reduce eating disorders and other body image issues by educating students about healthy eating strategies and encouraging them to love their bodies through Love Your Body Day events, according to their Web site.

Though the official Love Your Body Day is Wednesday, SNAC will be promoting and celebrating Love Your Body Day events today, Tuesday and Wednesday.

"The age most college students are in is a really big time of finding yourself," said Mallory Nolte, freshman in economics and co-chair of Love Your Body Day. "People are going through a lot of changes, they're not depending on their parents as much and a lot of times, unfortunately, people take it out on their bodies - the one thing they can control."

In response to these issues, SNAC aims to educate students on better ways to use and treat their bodies. Throughout the

year, the 20-member group visits sororities, fraternities, residence halls and high schools to share presentations on eating disorders, fitness, nutrition and body image, said George Weston, graduate student in public administration and president of SNAC.

Though the group regularly hosts events, speakers and informational booths, one of its upcoming events is different than any event SNAC has sponsored in the past, said Morgan Theirer,

co-chair of Love Your Body Day.

This new event is a provocative movie about steroids.

"I'm really excited for SNAC to get to do an event that is more geared toward the male audience," Theirer said. "Our big event of the year has always been a female speaker, so we've always attracted more female audience members.

It's exciting for SNAC to be able to put on this event about steroids because men have body image issues, too."

The steroids movie, "Bigger, Stronger, Faster\*," is different not only from other SNAC movies, due to its target audience. It is also different from typical documentaries in its method of approaching a touchy subject, Weston said.

"It's not like the movie 'Reefer Madness,' where it's just all about marijuana being 'bad, bad, bad,'" Weston said. "Here, it's about why people are using steroids, and even, what are some of the benefits. If you're talking about steroids and just say, 'It's bad, bad, bad,' but don't say, 'Why is it bad, what are the actual effects, and what is going on here,' then people ignore it. It's important to have an open dialogue."

While Weston said he wanted to emphasize the importance of educating peers on steroid issues, Theirer said the overall goal remains to help people love their bodies.

"It's always rewarding to see [the] effect

our events have on students – that they learn something information-wise, or that they learn something about themselves," Theirer said. "I really do feel like we can make a difference on campus with the awareness and knowledge of body image."

Today, Tuesday and Wednesday, SNAC will use the annual Love Your Body Day to promote healthy body image perspectives. For more information on SNAC, visit *k-state.edu/lafene/SNAC*.



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**TO THE POINT** 

### **Editors** reveal thoughts from homecoming week

TO THE POINT is an editorial selected and debated by the editorial board and written after a majority opinion is formed. This is the Collegian's official opinion.

What the editors thought about the All-University Homecoming Week

While I find Homecoming to be less than inclusive and a huge waste of tissue paper, I think there are many students who put in a lot of time and effort trying to make it an enjoyable week. Decide for yourself if they succeeded.

Joel Aschbrenner. EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

I think Homecoming is kind of pointless. It seems like a waste of time and money that could easily be put toward something useful.

Matt Binter, MANAGING EDITOR

Although I do think more should be done to involve the whole university in Homecoming, I had a great time last week participating in different events with my house and our partners. The week provides a chance to meet new people and show school spirit.

Sarah Rajewski, NEWS EDITOR

Homecoming impressed me because my scholarship house put absolutely no effort into it and still placed first in a category. Way to go, guys!

Tim Schrag, **CAMPUS EDITOR** 

Homecoming is a pain to those of us that are not greek. Too many people come back for events that cater to some and just make parking hard for others

> Jason Miller, METRO EDITOR

'All-University Homecoming' is an oxymoron. If I didn't work for the Collegian, I'm pretty sure I wouldn't have even known it was Homecoming week.

Bethaney Wallace, CO-COPY CHIEF

Homecoming is for the Greeks and the dorms. Other than that who cares?

Anthony Drath, ONLINE/MULTIMEDIA EDITOR

Homecoming made me wish I went through recruitment so I could have bought a sweet jacket and had an excuse not to do my homework this

EDGE EDITOR

Homecoming week pretty much sucked and so did the game Saturday. But at least K-State won and is two games ahead of KU in the Big 12 North race.

> Grant Guggisberg, GAMEDAY EDITOR



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KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN news@spub.ksu.edu Kedzie 103, Manhattan, KS 66506 Poverty: not a life goal



# Poor do not deserve negative stereotypes

Each year, my fondest memory of Thanksgiving is the hidden dinner table covered by carved turkey, pumpkin pie, cranber-

ry sauce, tortillas and tamales. Many of you may not have had tortillas, tamales or other Mexican dishes at the dinner table, but you probably do share with me memories of an abundance of delicious food.



**BOBBY GOMEZ** 

However, many in Riley County are not always as fortunate. According to a 2007 report from the U.S. Census Bureau, about one in five or 20 percent of people in Riley County live in poverty – meaning one in five people makes less than \$10,210 of total income per year or a family of four has a household income less

than \$20,650 per year. Many beliefs exist about those under the poverty threshold; some have come as far to say that there is a "culture of poverty." A "culture" defined by characteristics of weak work ethic, low educational values and drug and alcohol abuse. However, worldwide empirical research has con-

tinuously demonstrated that there is no such thing as a "culture of poverty." The differences in values and behaviors among people in poverty are as greatly varied as between those in poverty and the wealthy.

The idea that those in poverty suffer from a lack of motivation or weak work ethic is mythically false. Although continuously stereotyped as lazy, 83 percent of children from families in poverty have at least one employed parent. Additionally, about 60 percent of these children have at least one parent who works fulltime and year-round, according to the National Center for Children in Poverty. Furthermore, the Economic Policy Institute reported that working adults in poverty spend more hours working each week than those above the poverty threshold.

To continue the idea that those in poverty have low educational values is also mythically false. Low-income parents have the same educational values as their wealthier counterparts, according to the National Center for Education Statistics. However, they may not take part in school functions because they work long hours, often have multiple jobs, have jobs without paid leave and do not have access for safe and affordable childcare or public transportation.

Finally, the conception that those in poverty are more likely to abuse drugs and alcohol is entirely false. The reality is that their wealthy counterparts abuse drugs and alcohol just as much, if not more. Drug use is more noticeable in poor neighborhoods but is equally existent in poor, middle class and wealthy communities, according to the American Journal of Public Health. Moreover, alcohol abuse is much more prevalent among the wealthy than among those in poverty, according to the American Sociological Association and a long history of empirical research.

There is not a "culture of poverty" and the concept will always be inherently false. These stereotypes exist to hide the truth behind classism. The greatest tool in creating stereotypes and avoiding responsibility is deficit theory. Deficit theory neglects research and reality by inaccurately claiming that those in poverty are in that situation because of their own moral and intellectual deficiencies.

Deficit theory only exists because of our society's belief in well-established stereotypes and lack of societal responsibility to solve systemic conditions that support the cycle of poverty. By convincing ourselves that those in poverty are there because of

their own deficits, we ignore and hide from the responsibility to eliminate systemic inequalities and support authentic antipoverty programs.

Too many do not share the memory of a plentiful Thanksgiving meal because they are exhaustingly working hard just to provide shelter, health care and transportation for themselves and their family. Poverty is not an inevitable problem but one that can be solved through education, rejection of deficit theory and civic leadership.

In the past four years, the amount of donations and volunteers have declined, while the number of those in need of emergency help has increased, according the Flint Hills Breadbasket's Web site. This holiday season take the time to volunteer, donate and support a local nonprofit organization like the Flint Hills Breadbasket or any other antipoverty organization. No matter if you can give a little or a lot, you can have a significant effect. Your donation of money or time will provide emergency assistance to many families we call our neighbors.

Bobby Gomez is a senior in elementary education. Please send comments to opinion@

**GUEST COLUMNIST** 

# U.S. needs a more efficient health care system

Recently, conservative hysteria has focused on President Barack Obama's health care reform plan, with some going so far as to call it

"a complete denial of the principles of freedom of choice and selfownership."

Many deluded patriots bring loaded firearms to town hall meetings in an attempt to stop the institution of socialist death panels bent on killing el-



**MYLES IKENBERRY** 

derly people. This ridiculousness must stop immediately, not for the sake of President Obama, but for the sake of all Americans who can no longer afford to funnel fortunes into the pockets of insurance companies that provide as little as possible in return. It is tempting to consider corporate crime as less destructive than organized violent crime, but any organization that systematically removes wealth from a community without providing a real and desirable service is guilty and deserving of legal repercussions and intervention.

The first question that must be answered is whether or not there is something wrong with our current system of medical insurance

and treatment. A logical inspection and comparison with other systems gives a clear answer: Americans pay more for medical costs than any other country in the world, and yet our current system still leaves 45 million without insurance. It allows 22,000 to die each year from easily treatable diseases and 700,000 to succumb to bankruptcy. Perhaps the most unpleasant statistic is the United States has the highest infant mortality rate of the 23 richest countries in the world. Other democratic countries like France, Japan, Canada, Germany and the United Kingdom have implemented government-regulated systems that unquestionably outperform their American counterparts, with administrative costs four times lower, resulting in savings of hundreds of billions of dollars.

One argument frequently put forth by conservatives as an attempt to refute the superiority of government-regulated health care is that people in Canada who need very expensive operations are often placed on waiting lists. Inevitably, some of these people will die before receiving the treatment they need. Others, who are affluent enough, come to America, where money is the only factor determining who receives treatment and

who does not. I once spoke with a conservative economist whose grandmother lived in Canada and paid a very large amount of money to come to America for treatment. I am (of course) glad his grandmother lived and happy she received treatment. What I cannot be happy about, is that my grandmother, despite having worked very hard her whole life on a family farm in Kansas, would have no possibility to be treated for the same illness in America. There would be no waiting list for her. She would not receive medical help simply because she is not rich enough.

Life is full of inherent risk and uncertainty and it is not always the hardest working or most worthy who make it to the very top. I am content with the necessity of some deserving people receiving less than others, but money should not be the sole factor determining who receives health care and who does not. The fact that Canada's health care system cannot always provide ideal medical care for all of its citizens does not mean that it is inferior to the current system of the United States

The second question is whether or not there is a way for us to implement policy changes that minimize risk, maximize cost-efficiency and provide Americans the opportunity to live without the threat of having their lives destroyed by medical costs they cannot afford. The answer to this second question

is directly related to the first. Many medical experts in the United States have access to details of these various government-regulated systems in place around the world and have been studying those systems to help the United States selectively adopt the most successful of the policies that have been tested.

If other democratic countries like France, Japan, Canada, Germany and the United Kingdom can develop cost-effective, efficient systems of health care insurance, surely it is possible in the United States. I am proud of my country and believe the U.S. has some of the strongest intellects and institutions in the world. If other nations can do it, so can we. We're not perfect, but there is no reason to believe our government is hopelessly ineffectual and incompetent (although, given our nation's previous administration, I understand and forgive those confused opinions). The only way we can fail to develop a health care system that provides for all Americans is to allow the entrenched interests of those who profit from the current system to confuse and distort the issues facing us today.

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Hey, homecoming today? It's kind of over-

**Hey** athletes, you have your own line. That means you don't get to butt in front of ours.

Sometimes I just carry a nerf gun and put a bandana around my leg to feel normal.

So, today there was actually a quality sports article in the Collegian, but it was written by someone from Colorado

To the guys walking around with the Nerf guns: The World of Warcraft servers are back up, so you can stop now.

I remember when the Fourum used to be funny. You guys suck.

We must be in Kansas. Skirts and short shorts on Tuesday, coveralls on Thursday.

What will the devil do when he meets Beth Mendenhall?

I was sitting in my philosophy class today, surrounded by idiots, and all I could think was "Man, I could really use a North Face jacket."

No, it's not you. Van Zile's pop has always tasted this funky.



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# Winning ugly

# Defense, ground game propel K-State to win over Colorado

By Aaron Weiser KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Coming off a huge home victory last week, K-State beat the Colorado Buffaloes during All-University Homecoming this Saturday, winning 20-6. Colorado, also coming off a big but close win against Kansas last week, was the underdog coming into Manhattan and could not produce points.

K-State took the opening drive after Colorado deferred and marched down the field, faltering inside the redzone and letting junior kicker Josh Cherry kick for three points.

Colorado took its opening drive back down the field, picking apart the K-State secondary, and marched into the end zone on the responding drive to make the score 6-3 after Cherry's counterpart, Aric Goodman, missed the point-after attempt.

K-State's offense was slow to start, but the running game became well established early on. Grant Gregory and Daniel Thomas hooked up on the option multiple times knocking out 67 yards and leading to the teams' first touchdown, a short run by Thomas early in the second quarter to put K-State up 10-6.

The good news of the day came every time the defense took the field. On the very next drive, Buffalo quarterback Tyler Hansen bobbled the snap and Wildcat linebacker Ulla Pomele picked up the fumble that set up another Cherry field goal to raise the score to 13-7.

"I felt our defense played extremely well," head coach Bill Snyder said. "I thought our coaches did a great job. I think our offense put them in some ridiculous situations. We had three or four guys out there on the defensive side that did not practice all week with all the flu stuff going around. I thought they played lights out,

and I am awfully proud of them."

In the first half alone, K-State held the Buffaloes to 49 rushing yards and only 130 overall. As a team, K-State recovered two of three fumbles and held Colorado to four out of eight on third-down conversions

Offensively, the Wildcats capitalized one more time just prior to the half when K-State's special teams picked up a botched punt return and the offense scored another touchdown

The Wildcats pulled off the 20-6 halftime lead mostly due to the defense and special teams. Offensively, they only finished with 149 total yards and one of six on third-down conversions in the first half. Of the total 149 yards, 111 came on the ground from Thomas

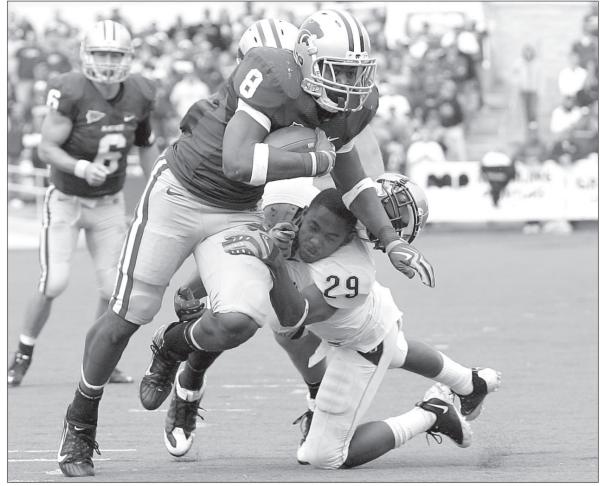
Through the air, the Wildcats were 3-of-9 passing with only 20 gained yards. It was the consensus of the team that the offense was just not producing.

"[Snyder] was pretty angry because we did not progress offensively," Gregory said. "I thought we improved last week against Texas A&M, but we didn't do that today. That is what he was disappointed with.

As exciting as the first half was, the second half was disappointing. The defense held Colorado to 25 yards and the offense lacked the ability to put up more points. The game went back and forth from punt to punt until the end of the fourth quarter when the Wildcats' Emmanuel Lamur picked off his second pass of the game to help K-State clinch the win.

Brandon Banks put his career all-purpose yards above the 3,000 mark this game with an additional 80 yards, while Jeron Mastrud brought his total receiving vards to 1,193 with another catch in this game, leaving him in second place all time for K-State in tight end receiving yards.

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Running back Daniel Thomas avoids a tackle by a Colorado cornerback, Cha'pelle Brown, in the second half of K-State's 20-6 victory over the Buffaloes. Thomas rushed for 146 yards and a touchdown

# Wildcats win despite lax offense

**GRANT** 

The Wildcat football team managed to win the game Saturday afternoon, but they did not please head coach Bill Snyder.

While the win gave the Wildcats a two-game lead over everyone in the Big 12 North except Iowa State, Snyder was focused less on the standings and more on the improvement of his football team while addressing the media after the game.

"I am proud wherever we are in the conference and that we have won however many games we have," Snyder said. "If that was the only deal, I would be a happy camper. But that is not what

we are about and that is not what we are trying to be about. And I do not want them to feel good about playing poorly or coaching poorly."

Coach Snyder was particularly upset with the play of the offense, which fell apart after halftime, scoring no points after the break. When asked about the play of his quarterback, senior Grant Gregory, he said only two words:

"Stinks, Bad,"

Gregory later echoed his coach's assessment of the offense's performance.

"At halftime we were feeling pretty good. We felt like we could duplicate what we did in the first half but we didn't do much on offense," Gregory said. "Colorado played well defensively, but we did not do what we needed to do offensively?

While the offense fell apart, the defense gave up only six points and was able to come up with three turnovers, with the fourth coming on special teams. Holding quarterback Tyler Hansen to 89 yards and no touchdowns was a positive point for the defense, especially with his mobility creating havoc early on. It also helped that the Buffaloes are terrible on the road, going 2-17 in their last 19 road contests.

In the end, the Buffaloes turned to quarterback Cody Hawkins to orchestrate the offense at the end of the game. He didn't fare much better, although he did lead a drive the length of the field before throwing the game-ending interception that allowed K-State to run out the clock.

Winning this game was good for the Wildcats.

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# K-State falls to Baylor in four sets, 2-8 in Big 12

By Ben Schweda KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

K-State (8-12, 2-8 Big 12 Conference) entered its second half of conference play against No. 23 Baylor (18-4, 7-4 Big 12) Saturday.

The Wildcats started the match with a convincing 25-18 win in the first set, but fell the next three sets 16-25, 18-25, 28-30

Both teams started out swapping leads and points, until Baylor went on a five-point run to take a 12-9 lead. K-State responded with two runs of three points back-to-back to take a 15-13 lead midway through the first set. Again, it was back and forth until the Wildcats went on a six-point run to take the lead and ended the match on a three-point run. Led by freshman middle blocker Alex Muff's .750 hitting percentage, the Wildcats took the first set 25-18.

The second set started out with the Wildcats taking a 3-0 lead from the start. Baylor took a timeout after being down 8-3 and regained composure and tied the set quickly at 10-10. The set remained close until the Bears used two three-point runs and a four-point run to gain an eight-point lead. The Bears closed out the second set with two more points and won 25-16.

Baylor took a 3-0 lead in the third set

behind the serving of senior setter Taylor Barnes. K-State got back within one point at 5-6, which was the closest they would get the rest of the set. The Bears went on a threepoint run to take the lead to 9-5 and never looked back, winning the third set 25-18 with a .528 hitting percentage as a team.

In the fourth set, things were back and forth, and it was tied 10-10 when Baylor went on a four-point run to take a 14-10 lead. The Wildcats called a timeout and regrouped, responding with three consecutive points of their own. The two teams were battling it out to win points off of serves, when K-State took the lead 21-19 on a three-point run. Baylor responded and scored three straight points. The set was tied 27-27 when the Wildcats scored off a Baylor hitting error. Ahead 28-27, the Wildcats had a chance to seize the fourth set, but the Bears scored three points to win the last set 30-28 and the match 3-1.

'I'm proud of the way they played," said head coach Suzie Fritz. "I thought we played with good spontaneity, competed hard, and I was very pleased with our serving. We still got to get all the pieces working together."

The Bears were led by Barnes, who had 54 assists, 14 digs and a .357 hitting percentage. Senior middle blocker Anna Breyfogle helped lead the Bears with a .480 hitting percentage and 13 kills. Four Bears



Matt BInter | COLLEGIAN

Freshman Caitlyn Donahue stretches across the court after diving to try to save a point for the Wildcats Saturday against Baylor.

reached double-digit kills.

The Wildcats were led by Muff's .308 hitting percentage and junior libero Lauren Mathewson's 18 digs. Only two players reached double-digit kills.

K-State is scheduled to begin a two-game road trip when the team heads to Columbia, Mo. First serve is set for 7 p.m.

**WEEKLY FAN POLL - OCT. 26** 

#### Which newcomer will have the largest impact on the men's basketball team?

- A. Curtis Kelly
- B. Jordan Henriquez-Roberts
- C. Wally Judge D. Nick Russell
- E. Rodney McGruder F. Martavious Irving

#### **LAST WEEK'S RESULTS**

#### Which former Wildcat will retire with the most successful professional career?

A. Darren Sproles - San Diego Chargers (NFL) — 302 votes (43%) B. Michael Beasley - Miami Heat (NBA) - 121

votes (17%) C. A.J. Morris - Washington Nationals (MLB) - 38

D. Terence Newman - Dallas Cowboys (NFL) — 238 votes (34%) E. Other – 20 votes (5%)

Vote online at kstatecollegian.com and check next Monday's issue for this week's results.

Total votes: 699



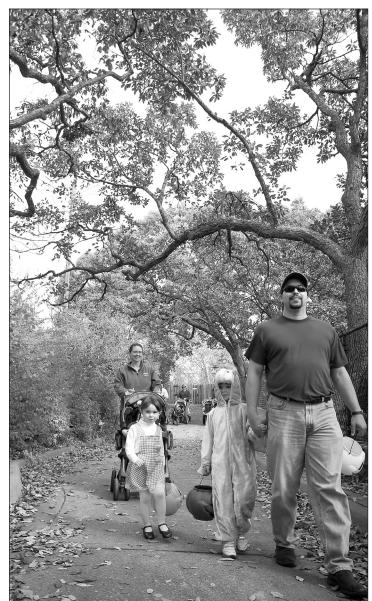
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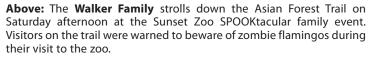
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# Sunset SP00Ktacular













Photos by Chelsy Lueth | COLLEGIAN

1) Avery Nester, 3, of Marysville, Kan., reaches for a magic bean from Jason Roberts, a volunteer during a game played at the Sunset Zoo's SPOOKtacular event. Josie Broxterman, a Hannah Montana look-a-like, and Jill Broxterman, a Darth Vader imposter, look in on the bean game. 2) Playing the part of Cinderella and Prince Charming, Blair Wyrick, senior in animal sciences and industry and pre-veterinary medicine, and Lindsey Schull, senior in secondary education, watch as Kaia Bonella, 2, walks back to her mom after meeting with Wyrick and Schull, who played the parts both Saturday and Sunday.

3) Shirley Walker adjusts the costume of her 1-year-old daughter, Gwendoylen, Saturday afternoon while walking toward the Asian exhibit at the Sunset Zoo. The SPOOKtacular event at the Sunset Zoo hosted a variety of activities for children including games and entertainment activities.

4) Children had the opportunity to trick-or-treat Saturday and Sunday at SPOOKtackular.

#### **ENTERTAINMENT NEWS**

#### **AMNESIAC FOUND IN TIMES SQUARE**

Authorities have identified an amnesiac girl found two weeks ago wandering New York City's Times Square, but are not releasing her name, the New York



Doe

The girl is a missing 18-year-old from Washington State, and officials are trying to reunite her with her family. A tip called into a New York Police Department hotline led to the girl's identification.

Post reported.

Late last week, New York City's Administration for Children's Services issued a press release asking for the public's help in identifying the girl, whom they called

"Iane Doe." was her actual name.

One of the few things she did recall were lines from a 2003 fantasy novel called Fool's Fate by Robin Hobb, which she found herself reciting.

-People.com

#### LEWIS DEFENDS RELATIONSHIP

British singer Leona Lewis reacted with dismay to media comments about the fact that she is still dating the same boyfriend she had before winning "The

X Factor."



Lewis

Lewis has been with electrician Lou Al-Chamaa since she was 17 years old and called him her "best friend" in a recent interview. When she was

asked about the "snide bewilderment" that accompanies references to their enduring love, she said, "It does make me angry. Be-

cause he's a great person." According to The Observer, Lewis said, "For people to think that you should leave someone because, all of a sudden, you're a singer and you have opportunities. I feel very sorry for

-People.com

#### TRUMP AND KUSHNER WED

After an engagement of a little over three months, Ivanka Trump and Jared Kushner, publisher of the New York Observer, married in



National Golf Club in Bedminster, N.J.

Trump has kept her 400,000 Twitter. com followers up to speed every step of the wedding plan-

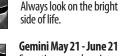
a private ceremony

Sunday at the Trump

Trump ning process, beginning with the couple's July 15 engagement, which she tweeted was "Truly the happiest day of

Trump kept details of the wedding quiet, but she told Brides.com, "I've always envisioned myself having a traditional and elegant wedding, even before

the engagement." Before the ceremony, Trump said she could not wait for the ceremony itself.



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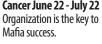
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Pisces Feb. 19 - March 20 Reese's Peanut Butter Cups will be your go-to comfort food this week. **Compiled by Elena Buckner** 

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Virgo Aug. 23 - Sept. 22 Reading is an important and vital part of your civic

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Remember how much

you love someone today.

### **FOOTBALL** | K-State leads ISU by one game, three teams by two

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K-State brings its record to 3-1 in the Big 12 Conference and 5-3 overall. With losses by Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska on Saturday, K-State is up one game on Iowa State and two on Nebraska, KÛ and

As the team moves onto Norman, Okla., next week, K-State looks to improve itself against a tough opponent in the Bob Stoops crew. With two remaining home games, K-State looks to finish strong this season with high hopes for a Big 12 North title.

Snyder, in continuance with his "get better each week" mentality, was excited for the team to win, but disappointed with K-State's performance.

"The name of this game for us is trying to get better," he said. "We got better on defense, and I am proud of that. We did not get better on offense. It is all about preparing well and playing well.

"It is no more complex than that. If you finish well, it means you played well and prepared well. If you do not, that means you did not prepare well or play well. Half of our game we did not prepare well or play well."



Visit us at kstatecollegian.com for a highlight video of the Wildcat's win over Colordao.



Juniors **Prizell Brown** and **Troy Butler** tackle Colorado's **Dustin Ebner** during the fourth quarter of the Wildcats' 20-6 win over the Buffaloes Saturday at Snyder Family Stadium.

### ANALYSIS | Cats could be bowl eligible

**Continued from Page 5** 

Moving to 3-1 in Big 12 Conference play with home games remaining against Kansas and Mizzou gives the Wildcats a decent shot at bowl eligibility.

Before then, the Wildcats must take on the Oklahoma Sooners (4-3, 2-1 Big 12) in Norman, Okla. Even without last season's Heisman-winning quarterback Sam Bradford, who will likely be out for the remainder of the season with an injury, the Sooners are a talented team. The Wildcats have their work cut out for them; they haven't beaten Oklahoma since the 2003 Big 12 Championship game.

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### **HOMECOMING** | Winners announced for residence halls, greek pairings, campus groups

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The 5K race course traveled through campus, beginning and ending at the K-State Alumni Center. The race was also a philanthropy event, this year raised funds for the Big Brother, Big Sisters of Riley County. All participants received a T-shirt for running in the race.

This year's Homecoming theme was "Wildcat Frontier." Some organizations and pairings interpreted this to mean space frontier, while others chose a western frontier for the competition.

Homecoming events this year included spirit signs and banners, sidewalk chalking competition, Crazy Cat Kick-Off, Pant the Chant, Paint the 'Ville, Wildcat Request Live, yard art, Children's Carnival, a float competition and a parade competition. Also elections for student ambassadors were held Homecoming week.

Points for Homecoming events were distributed according to category of student organizations, residence halls or greek pairings. The events were judged on originality, creativity and in accordance to the theme.

The Homecoming spirit signs were created by student organizations and greek and residence hall pairings who worked together to create a sign that showcased the theme. The spirit signs were then displayed on campus throughout Homecoming week. This year's first place winners were Japanese Yosakoi Dance Club, Moore and Haymaker pairing, and the Pi Beta Phi, Sigma Nu, Sigma Pi and Delta Sigma Theta pairing.

According to the K-State Alumni Association's Web site, over 21,300 votes were cast this week on the spirit signs. Photographs of the winning spirit signs and voting distribution can be viewed on the Web site.

Sidewalk Chalking Competition winners were the Japanese Yosakoi Dance Club. The sidewalk chalking competition was open to campus organizations only. Members of the organization met Sunday, Oct. 18 on the Bosco Student Plaza and were given a 10'x10' sidewalk area to decorate.

Crazy Cat Kick Off winners were the residence hall pairing of Boyd, Putnam, Van Zile, Marlatt and West. It was a series of games sponsored by K-State Association of Residence Halls and only open to the residence hall division. Crazy Cat Kickoff Games included Dress-Up, Save a horse, Ride a cowboy, Lead a Horse to Water, Obstacle Course, Farm Town, Cow Patty Stacking and a Shoot Out.

Pant the Chant winners were Powercat Motorsports for the student organization division, and the Delta Delta Delta, Farmhouse and Triangle pairing for the Greek division. This event was a chance for the pairings to show off spirit with competing cheers and spirit chants. This year, the residence halls did not participate in Pant the Chant. Traditionally one of the least attended events for residence hall participants, it was agreed upon in an earlier Homecoming meeting that the residence halls would not participate and focus on other events instead.

Paint the Ville winners were the Japanese Yosakoi Dance Club, the Goodnow, Ford, Smurthwaite and Smith House pairing, and the Pi Beta Phi, Sigma Nu, Sigma Pi and Delta Sigma Theta pairing. Windows across Aggieville were painted with scenes expressing the Homecoming theme.

Wildcat Request Live winners were the Gamma Phi Beta, Acacia, Beta Theta Pi pairing. This was a lip sync and dance competition held to showcase creativity and spirit in accordance with the Homecoming theme.

Yard art winners were the Alpha Delta Pi, Pi Kappa Alpha and Phi Kappa Theta pairing. This was the seventh year the event has been a part of Homecoming.

Greek pairings decorated their yards in hopes of showing school spirit to the community and alumni during the week of Homecoming, said Kelsey Coen, senior in pre-nursing and a member of Alpha Delta Pi. The constructions could contain moving parts, lights and music according to the theme.

Children's Carnival winners were the Poize Hip Hop Team, the Moore and Haymaker pairing, and the Alpha Xi Delta, Beta Sigma Psi, Lambda Chi Alpha and Delta Tau Delta pairing. The carnival was an opportunity for the students to participate in fun interactions with the children of the community and was sponsored by the Union Program Council.

Float competition winners were the School of Leadership Studies, the Moore and Haymaker pairing and the Gamma Phi Beta, Acacia and Beta Theta Pi pairing.

Parade competition winners were Powercat Motor Sports, the Moore and Haymaker pairing and the Kappa Delta, Phi Gama Delta and Tau Kappa Epsilon pairing.

Bre Hennes, junior in hospitality management and K-State Association of Residence Halls Homecoming Representative for Housing and Dining, was happy with the participation in the residence halls this year.

"We did a lot of pre-planning this year so it was more organized and we had a lot of great leaders who took over the committees and got a lot done," Hennes said. "It is an individual choice for each hall to participate in the events they felt like they could be successful in. And I feel like this year we had a great turn out."

Darchelle Martin, alumni programs assistant, was impressed with the overall week of Homecoming.

"We had really great participation this year," said Martin. "It was a lot of fun."



**LEFT:** Willie the Wildcat high-fives a "big cat" stilt walker during the homecoming parade Friday evening. The parade started by Manhattan Town Center and ended in Aggieville.

**BELOW:** Local children watch a firetuck roll on by during the Homecoming Parade Friday evening in Aggieville. The parade included many floats and vehicles from local fraternities and sororities to charitable organizations such as the Shriners.

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